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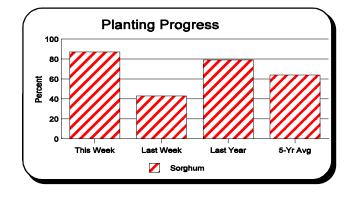
CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING JUNE 18, 2000

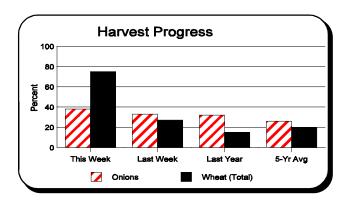
NEW MEXICO: There were 6.4 days suitable for field work. Despite additional rainfall during the week, some areas are still devastatingly dry. Harvesting, irrigating and cultivating were the main farm activities during the week. Onions were fair to excellent with over a third of the crop harvested. The chile condition declined slightly over the week. The irrigated wheat crop was in mostly fair to good condition with total wheat harvested 75% complete, far ahead of normal for this time of the year. Alfalfa was in mostly fair to good condition and farmers were almost three quarters of the way through the 2nd cutting. Corn was in mostly fair condition with a slight decline from last week. Cotton was in fair to excellent condition with 35% squaring. Ranchers were busy culling dry cows and pairs and hauling water along with extra feed to the herds. Cattle conditions varied from very poor to good across the state, while sheep were in mostly fair to good condition. Pasture and range feed conditions were reported as 27% very poor, 35% poor, 28% fair, and 10% good.

CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

CROP PROGRESS		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
PLANTING	Sorghum (Total)	87	43	79	64
SQUARING	Cotton ` ´	61	35	28	17
HARVESTED	Onions	38	33	32	26
	Wheat (Total)	75	27	15	20

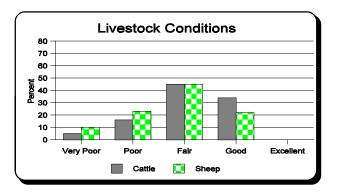
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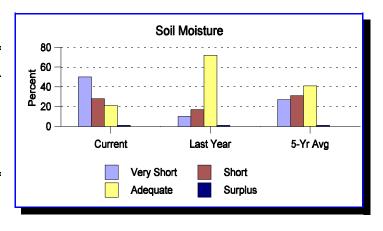


CROP AND	LIVESTOCK	CONDITION	PERCENTAGES

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa		4	30	41	25
Apples			85	10	5
Chile		2	20	75	3
Corn		-	50	40	10
Cotton		-	37	55	8
Onions			25	70	5
Peanuts			45	55	
Pecans			15	70	15
Sorghum(Total)	5	20	60	15	
Wheat (Total)	35	15	25	25	
Cattle	5	16	45	34	
Sheep	10	23	45	22	



SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES Very Short Adequate Surplus Short Northwest 25 45 27 3 Northeast 46 29 25 Southwest 65 11 24 63 Southeast 33 4 State 50 28 21 State-Last Year 10 17 72 1 State-5-Yr Avg 31



WEATHER SUMMARY

The week began hot and dry for most of New Mexico, but a cold front pushed south and west through the State late in the week, lowering temperatures and bringing an increase in thunderstorm activity. Before the front arrived, the mercury hit 100 degrees at a number of lower elevation locations in the south. The most widespread, significant rains were in the southeast. Ruidoso picked up 1.97 inches.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS JUNE 12-JUNE 18, 2000

	Temperature							
				06/12	06/01	Precipitation Normal	01/01	Normal
Station	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	06/18	06/18	June	06/18	Jan-Jun
Carlsbad	78.7	103	64	0.72	1.20	1.30	1.59	3.95
Hobbs	75.0	99	60	0.15	0.30	1.91	1.95	6.14
Roswell	76.9	102	61	0.74	0.79	1.61	1.62	4.25
Clayton	68.0	95	50	0.03	0.06	2.27	2.53	6.30
Clovis	71.9	97	55	0.56	2.43	2.84	4.51	7.01
Roy						2.08	2.40	6.06
Tucumcari	75.3	103	57	0.00	0.26	1.78	4.11	5.27
Chama	62.2	85	37	0.00	0.41	1.12	7.20	8.84
Johnson Ranch	66.6	89	39	0.00	0.26	0.68	4.23	3.77
Capulin	62.6	90	40	0.10	0.24	2.11	4.51	7.27
Las Vegas	67.2	92	44	0.92	0.96	1.92	2.88	5.76
Los Alamos	67.6	87	51	0.00	0.89	1.36	2.98	6.41
Raton	62.4	92	43	Т	0.34	1.99	4.10	7.16
Santa Fe	71.4	96	51	0.03	0.25	1.17	1.97	5.26
Red River	57.9	82	36	0.02	0.43	1.40	9.04	8.92
Farmington	73.4	95	46	Т	0.05	0.22	3.04	3.37
Gallup	67.6	96	38	Т	0.00	0.45	2.43	4.19
Grants	66.7	92	39	0.00	0.03	0.55	2.30	3.03
Silver City	74.9	94	55	0.00	0.45	0.70	0.98	4.90
Quemado	65.1	89	40	0.02	0.82	0.41	3.48	2.90
Albuquerque	77.1	99	60	0.06	0.24	0.59	2.18	3.05
Carrizozo	66.6	98	42	0.71	0.77	0.78	2.23	3.50
Gran Quivera	65.8	95	50	0.83	3.00	1.01	4.90	4.71
Moriarty	69.4	95	46	0.00	1.10	0.92	3.37	3.99
Ruidoso	65.3	89	44	1.97	2.52	1.86	3.77	6.97
Socorro	74.6	100	52	0.01	0.20	0.57	2.39	2.50
Alamogordo	77.6	100	57	0.00	0.00	0.90	0.63	3.28
Animas	81.1	101	59	0.00	0.16	0.44	0.62	2.48
Deming	79.4	101	57	0.04	0.05	0.55	0.84	2.28
T or C	80.2	105	59	0.19	0.45	0.69	1.96	2.58
Las Cruces	81.1	105	57		0.46	0.72	0.67	2.27

⁽T) Trace (-) No Report (*) Correction

All reports based on preliminary data. Precipitation data corrected monthly from official observation forms.

MILK PRODUCTION

NEW MEXICO: Milk production in New Mexico during May totaled 470 million pounds, up 12.2 percent from production in May 1999.

The average number of milk cows, at 246,000 head, was up 14,000 head from last May and up 5,000 from April.

Milk production per cow averaged 1,910 pounds per cow, compared to 1,835 pounds per cow in April and 1,805 pounds per cow one year earlier.

New Mexico moved up to 9th nationally in total milk production in May.

UNITED STATES: Milk Production in the 20 major States during May totaled 12.8 billion pounds, up 2.6 percent from production in these same States in May 1999.

Production per cow in the 20 major States averaged 1,638 pounds for May, 28 pounds above May 1999.

The number of cows on farms in the 20 major States was 7.80 million head, 63,000 head more than May 1999 and 9,000 head more than April 2000.

Milk Cows and Production: April 2000^{1/} and May 1999-2000

			S and Fre		April 2000		1999-2000			
		Milk Cows ^{2/}		N	Milk per Cow ^{3/}			Milk Production ^{3/}		
State	5/99	4/00	5/00	5/99	4/00	5/00	5/99	4/00	5/00	
		1,000 Head	d		Pounds			Million Pounds		
AZ	134	138	138	2,060	2,080	2,110	276	287	291	
CA	1,459	1,507	1,513	1,825	1,810	1,845	2,663	2,728	2,791	
FL	160	158	158	1,400	1,470	1,460	224	232	231	
ID	314	339	342	1,710	1,710	1,790	537	580	612	
IL	123	120	120	1,490	1,520	1,550	183	182	186	
IN	136	146	147	1,445	1,440	1,480	197	210	218	
IA	217	215	215	1,550	1,560	1,610	336	335	346	
KY	133	133	133	1,120	1,190	1,185	149	158	158	
MI	303	291	291	1,600	1,570	1,610	485	457	469	
MN	545	540	540	1,545	1,530	1,555	842	826	840	
MO	160	157	156	1,300	1,330	1,320	208	209	206	
NM	232	241	246	1,805	1,835	1,910	419	442	470	
NY	702	695	690	1,530	1,460	1,520	1,074	1,015	1,049	
OH	260	262	262	1,530	1,490	1,550	398	390	406	
PA	615	615	615	1,605	1,590	1,615	987	978	993	
TX	345	350	350	1,515	1,535	1,520	523	537	532	
VT	160	160	160	1,505	1,475	1,555	241	236	249	
VA	122	120	120	1,345	1,410	1,425	164	169	171	
WA	247	246	246	1,935	1,915	1,985	478	471	488	
WI	1,366	1,354	1,354	1,510	1,445	1,525	2,063	1,957	2,065	
20 STS	7,733	7,787	7,796	1,610	1,592	1,638	12,447	12,399	12,771	

^{1/} Revised. 2/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 3/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

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CATTLE ON FEED

NEW MEXICO: Cattle and calves on feed June 1 for the slaughter market in New Mexico totaled 90,000 head, unchanged from a month earlier and 3,000 more than a year ago. Placements of cattle and calves on feed during May totaled 18,000 head, 2,000 above April but 6,000 head less than in May 1999. Marketings of fed cattle were 16,000 head in May, a decrease of 3,000 head from marketings in April, and 4,000 less than in May 1999.

UNITED STATES:

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots 1/1

	Number on Feed				Placed		Marketed Other Disappeara				ance ^{2/}		
	0/4/00	E /4 /00	0/4/00	DURING									
	6/1/99	6/1/99	5/1/00	6/1/00	5/99	4/00	5/00	5/99	4/00	5/00	5/99	4/00	5/00
		1,000 Head											
AZ	207	276	276	30	34	37	26	28	32	5	3	5	
CA	370	405	410	55	56	65	50	49	52	10	7	8	
CO	1,090	1,180	1,180	180	185	195	200	170	180	10	5	15	
ID	285	315	305	68	49	60	52	43	58	11	11	12	
IA	330	370	350	38	40	40	55	44	58	3	1	2	
KS	2,020	2,230	2,290	480	370	550	430	390	470	10	30	20	
NE	2,000	2,240	2,100	330	320	390	430	380	510	20	10	20	
NM	87	90	90	24	16	18	20	19	16	2	0	2	
OK	330	360	375	93	70	103	85	88	86	3	2	2	
SD	164	180	165	23	16	23	35	33	31	4	3	7	
TX	2,530	2,660	2,800	620	445	720	505	530	565	15	15	15	
WA	199	218*	216	52	40*	44	29	32*	46	3	1	0	
Oth Sts	375	390	375	56	46	59	78	59	67	3	2	7	
US	9,987	10,914*	10,932	2,049	1,687*	2,304	1,995	1,865*	2,171	99	90	115	

^{1/} Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. ^{2/} Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.